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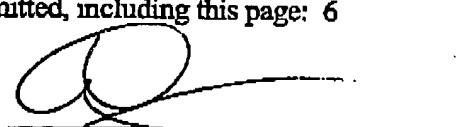
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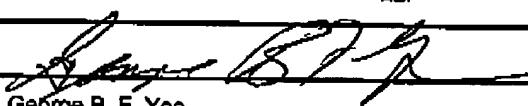
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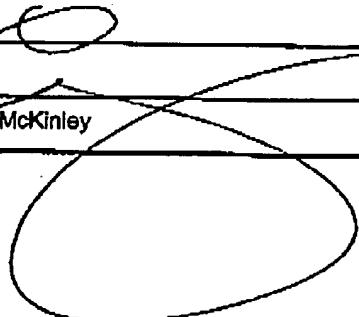
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Sir:

In response to the Notice of Allowance mailed August 29, 2006, a rule 312 amendment was mailed on September 21 to amend the claims. An amendment of the above-identified application, in addition to the September 21 amendment, is respectfully requested:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.